Have You Willingly Offered Yourself as a Slave of Christ?

Is the verse in 1 John 2:6 being fulfilled in your life? (“Whoever says he remains in Him must walk just as He walked.”)

The Lord Jesus' life on earth was the perfect model of a life rooted in the Father's will. Scripture shows us how He lived:

• He emptied Himself (Philippians 2:6-7) – He gave up His heavenly glory and came into the world not to do His own will, but the will of the Father.

• He was humble—He did not seek honor or recognition, but lived in humility, submissive in all things to the Father.

• His delight was the fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:3) – He lived with deep worship and holy fear of God, seeking to please Him in everything.

• He became a servant—He took the form of a servant and lived in complete obedience, serving with humility and love.

 Answer: Yes — Explanation: If your life reflects this experience — self-denial, humility, fear of the Lord, and servant-like obedience — it is a sign that you are abiding in Christ, that you are living as He lived, and that the Holy Spirit is working in you.

Living this way, we not only follow the Lord Jesus, but we are gradually transformed into His image and character (2 Corinthians 3:18)—we become gentle, pure, loving, patient, like Him in thought, word, and deed. This likeness of your life to Christ's is a sign of genuine new birth and proves that you are truly His disciple.

 Answer: No — Explanation: True rebirth involves a transformed life that follows Christ's example. If:

• You don't deny yourself and live only for yourself and your family,

• You are not willing to humble yourself,

• You do not have a holy fear of God and do not seek His will.

• You do not accept and keep His commandments, even when they are difficult, … then it is a sign that you have not truly been born again. If you do not live as the Lord Jesus lived, it shows that you are not truly in Him and there can be no talk of a genuine new birth.

Those who do not live like Lord Jesus—in self-denial, with a servant's heart, in humility, in fear of the Lord, and in obedience to all His commands— cannot be transformed into His image. And without this transformation, there is no real evidence of abiding in Him.

I encourage you to stop, examine yourself, and deny yourself. Learn to value the fear of the Lord—that attitude of deep worship, respect, and obedience toward God—which was the delight of Lord Jesus (Isaiah 11:3).

This holy fear does not mean terror, but a humble and submissive heart, ready to obey the Father's will in all circumstances. Follow Lord Jesus with obedience, so that the Holy Spirit may change you more and more into His image.

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